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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: **Crafton et al.**) Confirmation No.: **1166**
Serial No: **10/051,666**) Examiner: **Scott R. Kastler**
Filed: **January 18, 2002**) Docket No. : **C152 1150**
For: **INTEGRATED METAL PROCESSING FACILITY**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE IN
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This paper is submitted with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in the above application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Also submitted herewith is a request for a two-month extension of time.

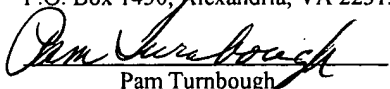
The RCE is being filed in response to the final Office Action mailed June 15, 2004, and the interview conducted on October 7, 2004. The Office Action set a shortened statutory period for reply expiring September 15, 2004, which is extended two months to and including November 15, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this document.

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